

Ad-hoc Agricultural Assessment Work Group

7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Meeting Minutes

May 28, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 pm.

Committee members: John Keshick, Marci Reyes, Mike Naganashe

Legislative Branch Staff: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick

Guests: Regina Brubaker, Amber Holt, Larry Dyer, Doug Schlappi, Scott Kelley, Vicki Kelley

- A. Motion by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Naganashe to approve the agenda as amended.

3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion Carried.

- B. Motion by Councilor Naganashe and supported by Councilor Reyes to approve the minutes of May 5, 2014, as presented.

3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion Carried.

- C. Discussion Items

Motion by Councilor Reyes and supported by Councilor Naganashe to recommend to the Appropriation and Finance Committee and Tribal Council to approve the submission of the Local Food Promotion Planning Grant and leverage staff time for the required match.

3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion Carried.

Motion by Councilor Reyes and supported by Councilor Naganashe to recommend to Tribal Council to approve the negotiation of a contract between the AAWG and the Health Department to provide produce for the Mnozhiiyaa grant program to be approved by Tribal Council.

3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion Carried.

Discussion on setting up for the worker bee and Open house that will include lawn mowing, general housekeeping, tent, tables and chairs. The smudging of the building has been set up. Food will be provided by the AAWG.

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Annual Meeting: the video is completed. Copy of minutes, corporate charter will be handed out at the meeting. A survey will be available on Adobe Connect and on the Tribal Council table for input on programs for the farm.

Motion by Councilor Reyes and supported by Councilor Naganashe to approve the survey as presented to be handed out at the annual meeting and set up through Adobe Connect.

3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion Carried.

Water pipes to bathrooms. Councilor Keshick presented information on the past service of Alexander's Plumbing and Heating, Inc. and they said that they would like to continue to work with the Tribe.

Discussion on the corporate charter for deletions and additions and discussion on the need to add language regarding grant requirements and grant funding.

Review farm plan for changes. Need to remove language of using a specific farmer, i.e. Berg.

Motion by Councilor Naganashe and supported by Councilor Reyes to recommend to the Appropriation and Finance Committee and Tribal Council to approve funding for equipment maintenance, fuel costs, supplies and other miscellaneous items for operations expenses that will be approved by the AAWG, not to exceed \$5000.00.

3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion Carried.

Verify response from Keith Martell on Forest Service Plan-tabled

Set date to meet with Bill Borgeld to walk property for Conservation Assessment Plan-tabled

D. Public Comment opened at 8:27 pm
Vicki Kelley commented on the importance of the documentation in order to sustain the option for an organic farm. Need to have proper sanitation.
Public Comment closed at 8:30 pm

E. Next meeting: June 25, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

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F. Adjournment

Motion by Councilor Reyes and supported by Councilor Naganashe to adjourn at 8:36 pm.

3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion Carried.